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AMENDMENT AND REPLY

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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed on December 26, 2006, of which this Reply is filed with a one month extension and Request for Continued Examination, please consider the following amendments and remarks:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 5 of this paper.